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In re application of: Sykes

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Group Art Unit: 1742

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FOR: Accelerated Steel Removal  
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Independent Claims	3	MINUS 4 =	0	x \$200 =	\$0
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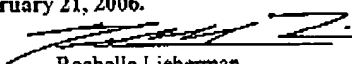
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In response to the Fourth Office Action dated December 21, 2005, Applicant has amended several pending claims, and respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding rejection(s) of the claims in view of the remarks that follow.